



Remarks

The Examiner's remarks have been carefully considered and the prior patents cited and applied have been carefully studied.

Applicant has cancelled claims 1 and 2 and has rewritten claim 4 in independent form. Claims 4 and 6-15 remain in this application.

Information Disclosure Statement

Applicant wishes to thank the Examiner for the telephone interview granted to the undersigned in connection with this matter. As explained to the Examiner during the telephone interview, on May 18, 2004 applicant filed an Information Disclosure Statement consisting of 5 sheets and numerous patents.

The Examiner indicated to the undersigned during the telephone interview that the Information Disclosure Statement and the patents listed have been received by the United States Patent and Trademark Office but has not yet been processed. It is respectfully requested that the Information Disclosure Statement that was on file and the patents listed therein be considered by the Examiner and that such consideration be made record in this application.

Drawings

Applicant is submitting herewith two new replacement sheets of drawings to replace the original sheets of drawings originally filed in this application. The two sheets of drawings embody all the changes made in the proposed amendment filed May 20, 2004. All of the proposed changes have been approved by the Examiner.

Claims

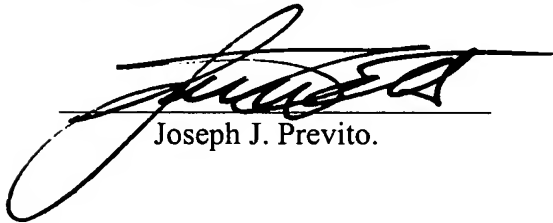
Applicant has cancelled the claims 1 and 2 and has rewritten claim 4 in independent form. The Examiner has indicated that if claim 4 rewritten in independent form all the remaining claims in the application would be allowed. Such action is now respectfully requested.

Conclusion

Since all issues have now been resolved, allowance of the application is respectfully requested.

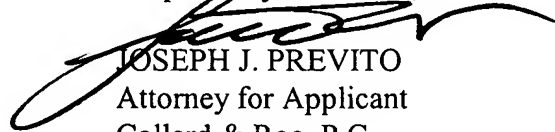
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